# Fort Davis

## National Park Service U.S.Department of the Interior



**National Historic Site** 

**Curriculum Materials Grades 9-12** 

Student Activity: If You Lived at Fort Davis

## Enlisted Men



**American Indians** 



**Army Officers** 



Women



Civilians who worked for Fort Davis



Robert Mulhern



Diedrick Dutchover



Edward Hartnett



James Shannon



George Bentley

- 1. Choose a person to research from the following list of individuals who lived/ worked at or were associated with Fort Davis. Or you may choose from others, possibly someone you know about or even a relative of yours.
- 2. Use the Internet and a school library to conduct research, trying to answer the question: What were the experiences and challenges of "your person" stationed at, living near, or associated with Fort Davis?
- 3. Write a first-person narrative story from the perspective of a real Fort Davis figure.

#### **Enlisted Men**

Emil Adolph Bode, 10<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry Thomas Shaw, 9<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry Benjamin Brown, 24<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry Moses Williams, 9<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry Thomas Hall Forsyth, 4<sup>th</sup> Cav. & Commissary Sgt. Emanual Stance, 9<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry

## **Army Officers**

Washington Seawell 8th U.S. Infantry Zenas Randall Bliss, 8th U.S. Infantry & 25th Infantry Wesley Merritt, 9th U.S. Cavalry Anson Mills, 10<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry Henry Ossian Flipper, 10<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry Edward Hatch, 9th U.S. Cavalry William Rufus Shafter, 24th U.S. Infantry Arthur Tracy Lee, 8th U.S. Infantry Benjamin Henry Grierson, 10th U.S. Cavalry Albert Gallatin Brackett, 3rd U.S. Cavalry George Lippitt Andrews, 25th U.S. Infantry Elmer Otis, 8th U.S. Cavalry Mason Marion Maxon, 10<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry Theodore Fink, 8th U.S. Infantry James Judson Van Horn, 8th U.S. Infantry John Bigelow, Jr., 10<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry Albert James Myer, Army Medical Officer John Vance Lauderdale, Army Medical Officer Daniel Weisel, Army Medical Officer George Gatewood Mullins, Chaplain

#### **American Indians**

Nicholas Victorio Nana Mangas Coloradas Quanah Parker (visited Fort Davis once)

#### Civilians who worked for Fort Davis

Diedrick Dutchover, mid-1850s Edward Hartnett, 1867-1884 José Maria Bill, 1868-1872 James Shannon, 1880-1888 Robert Mulhern, 1880-1885 George Bentley, 1870s John Mulhern, early 1880s Darby Ford, 1888-1891 (dates indicate employment at Fort Davis)

### Women

Alice Kirk Grierson, Wife of Benjamin H. Grierson Forrestine "Birdie" Cooper Hooker, daughter of Charles Cooper Flora Green Cooper, Wife of Charles Cooper Virginia Maxwell Keyes, Wife of Alexander Scammel Brooks Keyes Emily Brown Andrews, Wife of Colonel George L. Andrews (her letters are in Univ. of Texas Library) Sally Caldwell, Wife of soldier—Menger Caldwell, 10th Cavalry, and servant of officer—Anson Mills Mary Braxton Bigelow, Wife of John Bigelow, Jr. Gertrude Gardner Eggleston, Wife of Millard Fillmore Eggleston Grace Fuller Maxon, Wife of Mason Marion Maxon Helen Fuller Davis, Wife of William Davis, Jr.